

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 99-429

July 13, 1999

BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY
Proposed Tariff to Establish Rates, Terms and Conditions
For Services to Competitive Electricity Providers

ORDER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

On June 22, 1999, Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (BHE) filed proposed rates, terms and conditions applicable to standard offer providers and competitive electricity providers.

Prior to formal filing, BHE presented draft revisions to the standard contract working group established in Docket No. 99-170.¹ Although there was no specific agreement on the rates, terms and conditions, it was agreed that all utilities would use the same basic method to determine the charges.

On June 23, 1999, a Notice of Filing was issued, providing interested persons an opportunity to comment on the revisions. The Public Advocate filed comments on off-cycle termination, dispute resolution, telephone numbers, and incremental costs. We addressed these comments in our Order Adopting Standard Form Contracts, Docket No. 99-170 (July 12, 1999).

Upon review, we find that the proposed revisions are consistent with Chapters 301 and 322. We will, accordingly, allow the revisions to take effect on July 22, 1999 (30 days from the filing date).

¹ The primary purpose of this working group was to establish standard form contracts between utilities and competitive providers. However, the Commission also asked the group to discuss utility terms, conditions and charges applicable to competitive provider.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 13th day of July, 1999.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Raymond J. Robichaud
Assistant Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
 Nugent
 Diamond

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3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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